Dixieland Neighborhood Association (DNA) Meeting March 20, 2012

Location: New Beginnings Baptist Church 404 W. Belmar St

Board Members in Attendance: President Mary Smith, Vice Chair David Whitcomb, Treasurer Karen Moore, Secretary Rebeca Whitcomb

The meeting started at 6:30 PM with an introduction of the officers and self-introduction of the attendees.

Bill Haskell, Liaison to the CRA, gave the CRA update. A new gas station is planned for the vacant gas station at Cresap and S. Fl. Ave, but is in design review. Fat Maggie's is opening soon. There is new development planned for the corner of W Hancock and S. Fl Ave.

3 police officers were present to give a crime update and Officer James Henry answered questions. To contact Officer Henry, call 834-4444 or email james.henry@lakelandgov.net.

A question was asked about Trespass forms. They can be brought to the DNA meetings or taken to the police department. Police officers can notarize the form, or a private notary can also be used.

Other contact info for the police department:

Non-emergency number: (863) 834-6900

Email: Tips: tips@lakelandgov.net

The Business Spotlight was Satya Life Yoga. They hold free Thai Chi Classes in Drane Park in Dixieland at 8:30 AM on Sundays, and have a studio in downtown Lakeland where they offer other classes. http://www.satyalife.com/

Plans for a proposed parking lot on the residential lots at 120 W. Belmar Street were discussed along with the new development on Hancock street. Residents concerned about the re-zoning of the residential property and the new business development are encouraged to attend the April Zoning Board meeting, or to contact the City Planning office.

The meeting ended around 7:30 PM.